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WHO THE TAMPA TRIBUNE AMERICA SEARCH

Clears Anti-Terror Florida Connection Airports



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TULSA WORLD 'GOD BLESS AMERICA'



In darkest hour nation
watches higher power

President's new performance
has shown what he can do

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*...e who knocked
buildings down
hear all
AS SOON.*



**The City
Carries On**
Battles to Return to Life — and to Business

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Ever had a cyber security assessment?

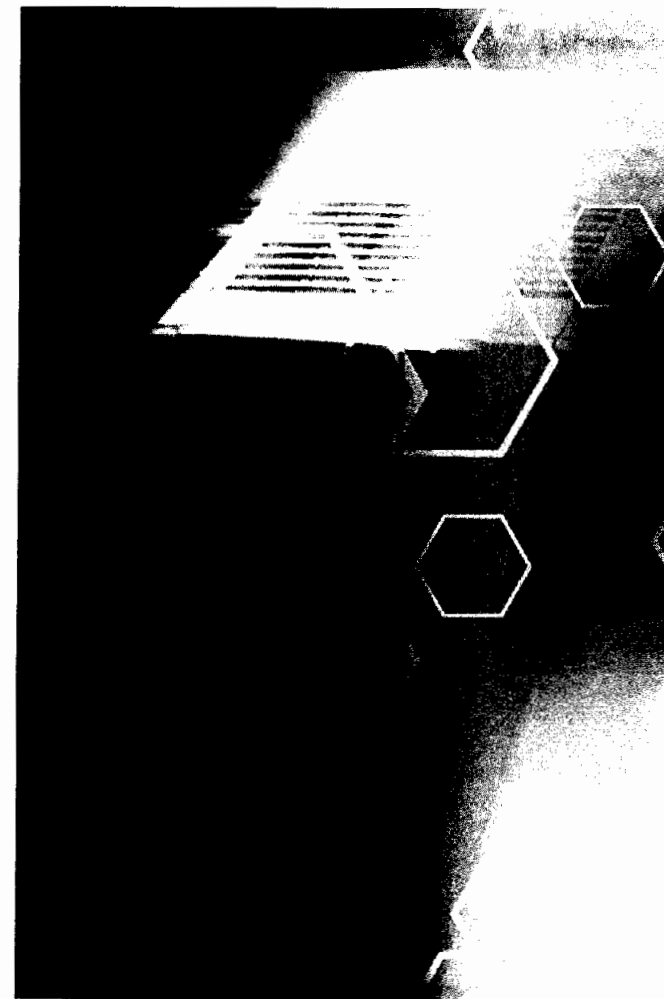


A Cyber Security
Assessment is a
detailed examination
of digital information
systems to assess
potential
vulnerabilities and
define future network
security needs.



Three Different Assessments

- \$500,000 for the assessment of select State Agencies.
- Award each county up to \$10,000 to conduct a Cyber Security Assessment of the counties network.
- Requested \$100,000 from Homeland Security to produce a Business Continuity Plan for MS Department of Finance and Administration and MEMA.





State Agency Assessments

- In 2004 the Office of the State Auditor applied with Homeland Security for \$500,000 to contract with I. T. Security Companies.
- Perform cyber assessments of state agencies.
- Primary purposes were finding and correcting the security of the following agencies network and help establish control policies for each agency and their network.
- A summary of all of the agencies provided valuable information of each agency as well as the Office of the State Auditor's EDP section.
- The Supreme Court requested funding from this Grant in the amount of \$50,000 contract with ITS to develop a Court Docket Management System outlining goals for the all of the courts for Mississippi.

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ITS

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MS Dept of Agriculture

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MS Dept of Health

MS Supreme Court

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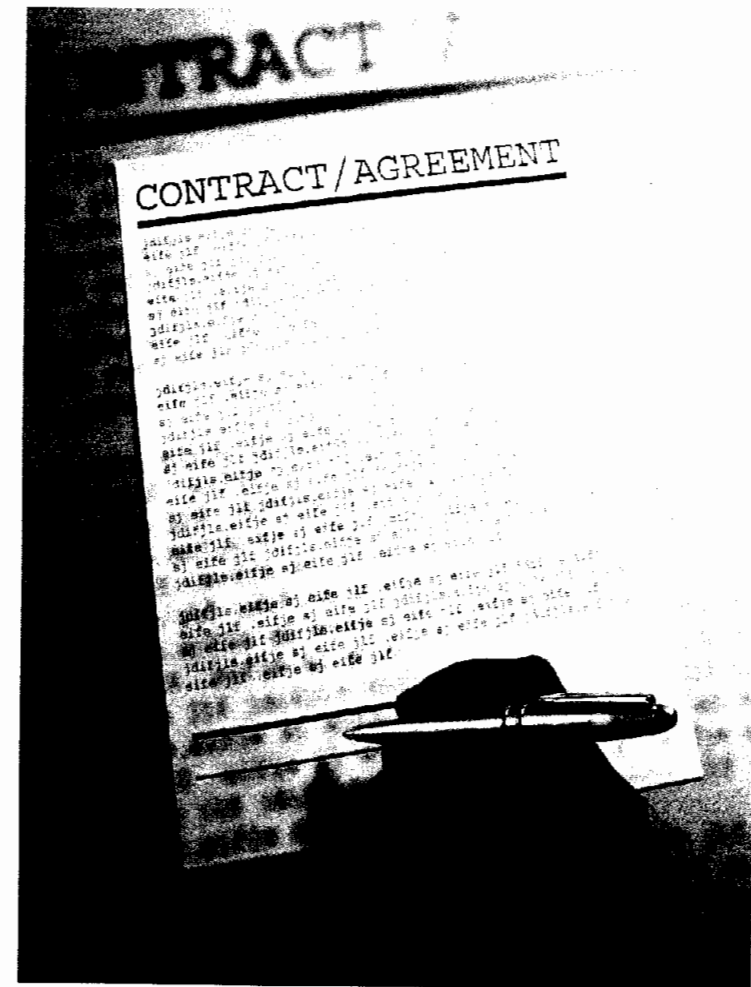
County Assessments

- The Office of the State Auditor requested funding from the Department of Homeland Security to award each county up to \$10,000 to conduct a Cyber Security Assessment of the counties networks.
- Of the eighty two counties all but four participated in the assessments.
- These detailed reports were used as a blue print for where the counties were in technology and where they needed to be.
- Most of the counties were cash strapped and could never have afforded this service.



Business Continuity Plan

- The Office of the State Auditor requested \$100,000 from Homeland Security to contract with Ciber to produce a Business Continuity Plan for MS Department of Finance and Administration and MEMA.
- This plan outlined what needed to be done in case of any type of disaster.
- This was an extremely valuable project in that it defined who needed to be involved in order to get State government functioning as quickly as possible.

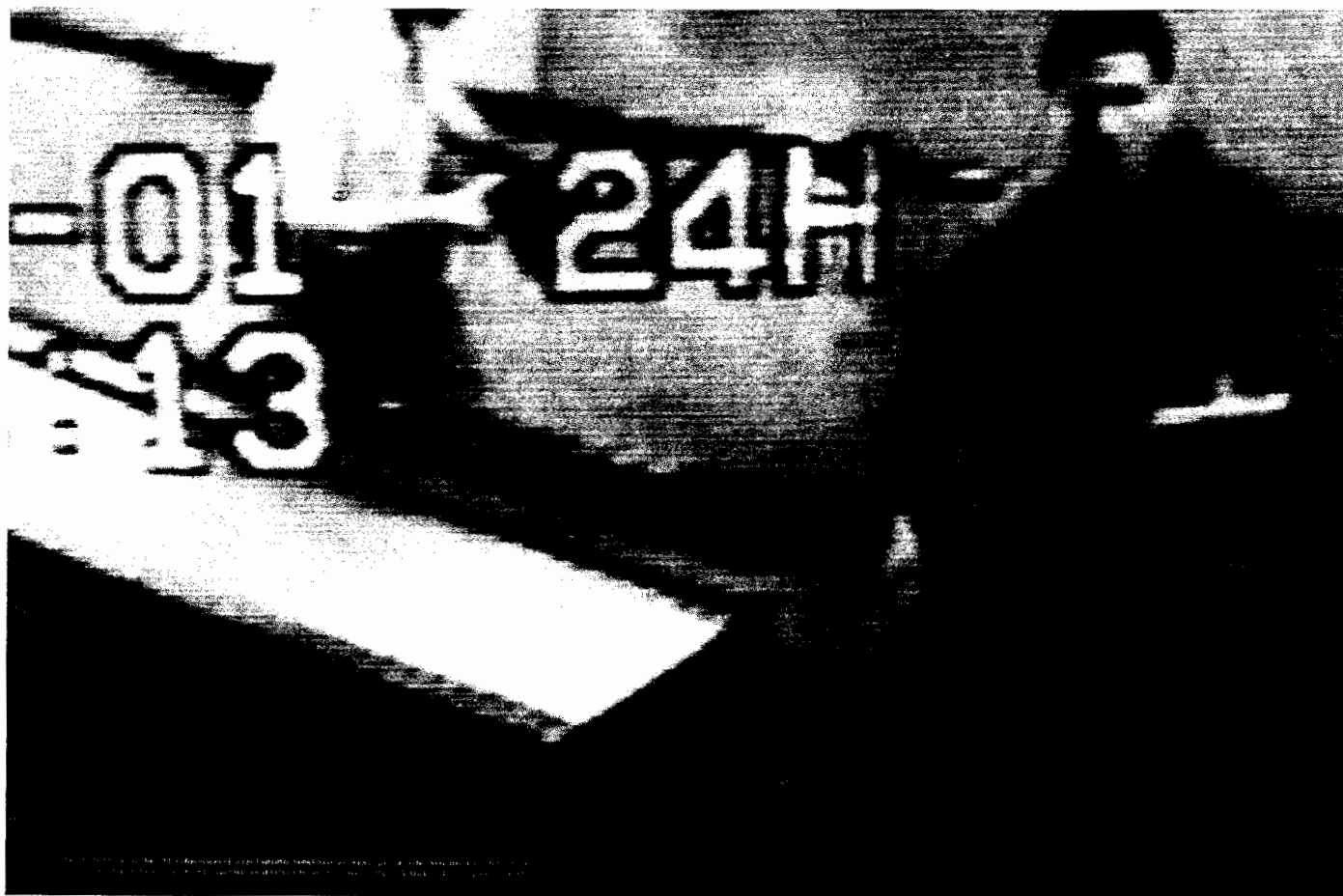




Providing vital information
in the time of a national
disaster or terrorist attack
will depend upon our
technology and its
connectivity.



Where are the Mohamed Attas' of tomorrow?





Illegal Immigration

THE IMPACT OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION ON MISSISSIPPI: *COSTS AND POPULATION TRENDS*



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7 ON YOUR SIDE

NEWS 7

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LPD: Illegal alien faked thousands of IDs

March 14, 2007 04:14 PM CDT

An illegal immigrant is in jail after allegedly falsifying thousands of immigration and Social Security cards in Jones County. And one of the identities stolen might have been yours.

... for the misuse of Social Security cards. Authorities say ... U.S. starting calling to say that the IRS was

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An illegal immigrant is in jail after allegedly falsifying thousands of immigration and Social Security cards in Jones County. And one of the identities stolen might have been yours.

Ident...
cards could have ...

"Possession or manufacturing of a false Social Security card is a crime," Reeves says. "These particular cards, a lot of them, ... numbers on the cards, so it could very well be someone locally who ... being used in this case."

Laurel police say they don't have the authority to arrest illegal immigrants working or living in the U.S. with stolen or improper documentation. That's a matter for federal agents to handle.

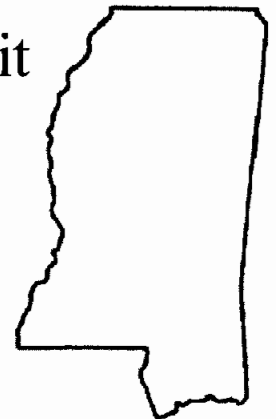


Top Twenty Categories of Crimes
(number of aliens removed and % of total criminal aliens, ranking based on FY 2005)

	FY 2004		FY 2005	
Total	85,770	100	78,487	100
Dangerous Drugs	32,526	38	30,810	39
Immigration	13,206	15	11,423	15
Assault	9,193	11	8,557	11
Burglary	3,251	4	2,990	4
Robbery	2,790	3	2,760	4
Sexual Assault	2,701	3	2,487	3
Larceny	2,689	3	2,371	3
Family Offenses	2,399	3	1,922	2
Sex Offenses	1,941	2	1,800	2
Stolen Vehicle	1,715	2	1,586	2
Weapon Offenses	1,597	2	1,522	2
Fraudulent Activities	1,390	2	1,275	2
Forgery	1,414	2	1,208	2
Homicide	836	1	865	1
Stolen Property	802	1	702	1
Traffic Offenses	800	1	572	1
Obstructing Police	542	1	439	1
Kidnapping	422	0	446	1
Health Safety	482	1	315	0
Obstructing Judiciary etc.	415	0	297	0



- Current data and research points to the **Southern** border with Mexico as the key **entry point** for **illegal activity** including terrorism, drugs and human trafficking.
- Approximately **30-40%** who enter the U.S. illegally are non Mexican hispanics, asian, european, canadian, middle eastern, african and etc.
- While the nation only saw a 17.2% increase in immigrant population overall, Mississippi's immigrant population grew **148.7%** - Highest rate of any state in the nation (Pre-Katrina Numbers (Research conducted in May 2005).
- Mississippi Department of Corrections (DOC) estimates that it costs approximately **\$36.54** per inmate/day, excluding medical costs.
- DOC relies on "**self-reported**" system for federal reimbursement.



Senate Bill 2897

- Require labor used on public works to be performed by workmen and laborers who are legal citizens of the united states or legal aliens,
- Require public work contracts to include a provision requiring the contractor to be in compliance with federal and state laws,
- Revise the penalty for violating the above mentioned labor requirements on public works,
- Require certain agencies to adopt rules and regulations to carry out these proposals, and
- Creating a new code section requiring labor used under public contracts of any kind to be performed only by workmen and laborers who are legal citizens of the United States or who are legal aliens.

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Senator(s) Kirby, Albritton, Burton,
Carmichael, Chassaniol, Clarke, Davis, Doney,
Fillipino, Flowers, Jackson (1st), King,
Lee (2nd), Moffatt, Munroe, Pickens,
Rice, Walley, Wilcox

REGULAR SESSION 2007
To: Fees, Salaries and
Administration

SENATE BILL NO. 1497
(As Passed the Senate)

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 11-5-17, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REQUIRES LABOR USED ON PUBLIC WORKS TO BE PERFORMED BY WORKMEN AND
3 LABORERS WHO ARE LEGAL CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES OR LEGAL
4 ALIENS; TO AMEND SECTION 11-5-12, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
5 REQUIRE PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS TO INCLUDE A PROVISION REQUIRING THE
6 CONTRACTOR TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS; TO
7 AMEND SECTION 11-5-21, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO REVISE THE
8 PENALTY FOR VIOLATING SUCH LABOR REQUIREMENTS ON PUBLIC WORKS;
9 CREATE A NEW CODE SECTION TO REQUIRE LABOR USED UNDER PUBLIC
10 CONTRACTS OF ANY KIND TO BE PERFORMED BY WORKMEN AND LABORERS WHO
11 ARE LEGAL CITIZENS OF THE UNITED STATES OR LEGAL ALIENS; TO AMEND
12 SECTIONS 11-7-9, 11-9-126 AND 25-57-5, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
13 TO FURTHER CERTAIN AGENCIES TO ADOPT RULES AND REGULATIONS TO
14 CARRY OUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:
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18 SECTION 1. Section 11-5-17, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
19 amended as follows:
20 11-5-17. Every public officer, contractor, superintendent or
21 agent engaged in or in charge of the construction of any state or
22 public building or public work of any kind for the state of
23 Mississippi or for any board, city commission, governmental agency
24 or municipality of the state of Mississippi shall employ only
25 workmen and laborers who are legal citizens of the United States
26 or aliens who are legal aliens. For purposes of this section, a
27 legal alien is an individual who was lawfully present at the time
28 such services were performed, or was lawfully present in the
29 performing such services, or was permanently residing in the
30 United States under color of law at the time such services were
31 performed (including an alien who was lawfully present in the
32 United States as a result of the application of section 207, 208
33 or 210 of the Immigration and Nationality Act). In cases
34 where the work is being lawfully conducted outside the United
35 States of America, the utilization of workmen and laborers shall
36 be in accordance with the laws of the country in which the work is being
37 performed.
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House Bill 1379

- Referred to as “The Mississippi Employment Protection Act of 2007,”
- Requires employer to verify employee status,
- Imposes penalties on employer if violation is determined,
- Require labor used on public works to be performed by workmen and laborers who are legal citizens of the united states or legal aliens,
- Stronger penalties for fraudulently altered/obtained driver’s license for securing employment,
- Creates a Task Force that studys current and existing law, makes finding and recommendations, report information to the legislature.

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE

By: Representatives Lott, Weatherly, Rogers
(Sist), Jennings, Stapled, Palazzo, Gunn,
Mudman, Chism, Gregory, Rogers (14th), Atkins,
Vince, Nicholson, Moore

REGULAR SESSION 20:
To: Labor

HOUSE BILL NO. 1379

1 AN ACT TO CREATE THE MISSISSIPPI EMPLOYMENT PROTECTION ACT;
2 TO PROVIDE PROCEDURES FOR NEWLY HIRED EMPLOYERS AND THEIR
3 EMPLOYERS; TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THIS ACT; AND
4 FOR RELATED PURPOSES.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 SECTION 1. TITLE. This act shall be known as the
7 “Mississippi Employment Protection Act.”

8 SECTION 2. EMPLOYER VERIFICATION. Any newly hired employee
9 shall present a valid social security number to the employer on
10 the first day the employee is hired.

11 The employer shall verify such employee's social security
12 number using the federal Basic Employment Verification Pilot or
13 another federal employee verification program that matches social
14 security numbers with a person's name within three (3) business
15 days of the employee's first day of employment. The employer
16 shall follow the guidelines set forth by the Memorandum of
17 Understanding associated with the verification program as
18 authorized by federal statute when using the Basic Employment
19 Verification Pilot. If the employee's name and social security
20 number do not match, the following procedure shall be followed:

21 (a) The employer shall notify the employee within five
22 (5) working days of the nonmatch report and provide a letter of
23 confirmation to the employee to be taken to the social security
24 Administration in the event that the employee desires to contest
25 the nonmatch report;

26 (b) If an employee desires to contest a nonmatch
27 report, the employee shall notify the employer within five (5)
28 working days of the employer's notification to the employee of the
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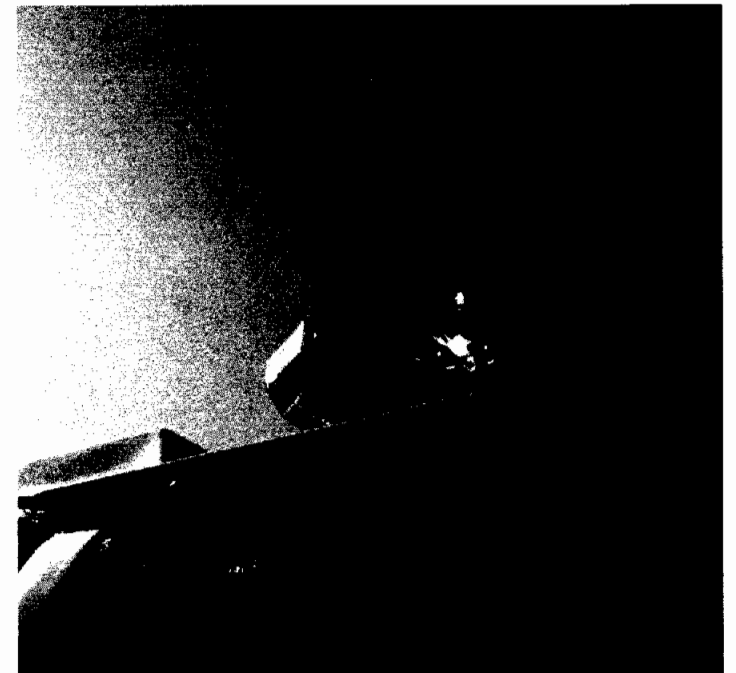
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Commercial Mobile Radio

Service Board Review

➤ Currently reviewing the financials, policies, and procedures of the CMRS Board which oversees the collection of the E-911 cell phone fee.

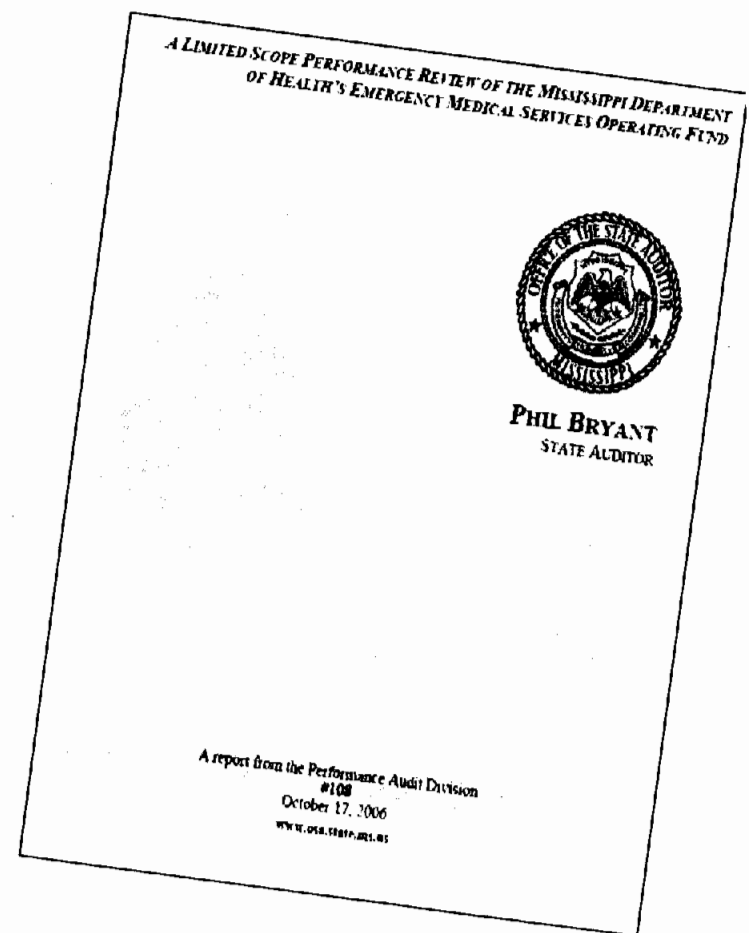




Limited Scope of the MS Department of Health's Emergency Services Operating Fund Report

➤ **Finding:** The Department of Health's Bureau of EMS broadly construes the definition of administrative costs. This allows them to spend EMS dollars on the broad Bureau activities.

➤ **Recommendation:** If the intent of the Legislature is that the EMSOF money should be redistributed to eligible local governments, and administrative expenses should be confined to costs associated with such redistribution, then the law should be clarified.





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